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London, Auguſt 18. *This Morning came in* 3 *Mails from* Holland.

In a former Courant *we gave an Account of the March of the Duke of* Vendome *from* Due Caſtelli *to* Rivoli; *the Advices printed at* Paris Auguſt 11. *by Authority, which through the Neutral Countries are come over from* Holland, *give this further Account of the Proceedings of that General.*

From the Camp at Montebaldo, July 27.

THE Troops led by the Duke of Vendome towards the Trentin, arriv'd at Rivoli on the 22d, and continued encamp'd there the day following; only the Grenadiers and the Regiment of Dragoons of du Heron, were order'd that day to advance and poſſeſs themſelves of the Hill of Ferrara. On the 24th the Duke commanded all the Infantry to march thither, except the Brigade of Mirebeau, which, with the Horſe, he left in the Valley of Cabrin to Forrage. The Enemies, in Number 1000 or 1200 Men regular Troops, and 2000 Militia, commanded by the Baron de Vaubonne, were intrench'd in a Place call'd Aqua Negra. They were poſſeſs'd of a narrow Paſſage between Monte Baldo and another Mountain, cover'd by good Retrenchments and Redoubts palliſadoed. They were likewiſe intrench'd on the Declivity of Monte Baldo from the Top to the Bottom; and had poſted themſelves in the ſame manner on the other Mountain, (which on that ſide of it towards the Adige is almoſt perpendicularly ſteep,) on the Top of which they had built a ſtrong Fort with Redoubts. On the 25th at Night the Duke of Vendome detach'd the Sieur d'Orgemont on the Left with 12 Companies of Grenadiers and 80 Carabineers on Foot, and on the Right the Sieur d'Imecourt with 10 Companies of Grenadiers: Both which Detachments in the Night climb'd up the 2 Mountains with incredible labour becauſe of the Roughneſs and Steepneſs of the Way. On the 26th before Day-break the Duke march'd with 2000 Men towards the Retrenchment in the narrow Paſſage, he order'd the Attack to be begun on the Left where his Men took 2 Poſts, but could keep only one of them, the other being commanded by 150 Men poſted on the Top of Monte Baldo which is ſhap'd like a Sugar-loaf ſteep on all ſides. He order'd the Marqueſs de Kercado with 700 Men to ſupport the Troops engag'd, and put himſelf at the Head of them; his Preſence and the Count de Vaubecourt's who was the commanding Lieutenant General for that day, ſo animated them, that they advanc'd from one Eminence to another and gall'd the Enemy who were poſted in the Retrenchments of the narrow Paſſage: This daring Carriage of our Troops diſhearten'd the Enemy, who abandon'd the Monte Baldo and the narrow Paſſage, where they left 3 pieces of Cannon and their Ammunitions. The Duke de Vendome deferr'd the Attack on the Right till the following Night, becauſe it requir'd Cannon to batter the Fort, wherefore he cauſed 3 Pieces to be hawl'd up by main force by the Iriſh; but the Count de Bezons Lieutenant General, who had the Direction of this Attack, ordering the Sieur d'Imecourt to advance, it was found that the Enemy had quitted that Fort likewiſe, together with their Tents, Ammunitions and Proviſions. One of their Captains and 30 Soldiers were taken, with no more loſs in theſe Attacks than of 4 Soldiers kill'd and 5 or 6 wounded.

We are aſſur'd there is no other Obſtacle to ſurmount between this and Torbole which is at the end of the Lake of Garda within 6 or 7 Leagues of Trent. We have learnt ſince, that the Count de Medavi, who with a Body of about 6000 Men march'd on the Left of the Lake of Garda, has forc'd other Intrenchments in the Valley of Leder, towards the end of the Lake of Garda, where the Enemy had 30 Men kill'd and 100 made Priſoners, among them a Captain of the Regiment of Nigrelli; that the Duke of Vendome was advanc'd near the Caſtle of Nago within half a League of Torbole; that he would be joyn'd in 2 or 3 days by the Count de Medavi; and that the Troops of the Elector of Bavaria were arriv'd at Clauſen betwen Brixen and Trent.

From the Amſterdam Gazette, dated Auguſt 23.

Amſterdam, Auguſt 23. *Letters from* Italy *and* Germany *that came in to day adviſe as follows.*

They write from Venice that the Duke of Vendome has poſſeſs'd himſelf of the Poſt of Brentonico after a Fight of 4 Hours, and that he has ſince taken the Caſtle of Nago after he had been twice repuls'd; but that he has not yet taken Torbole; and that General Solari is advanc'd into the Trentin with 4000 Men. Theſe Letters ſay nothing about the Elector of Bavaria, but confirm that General Guttenſtein is in Inſpruck with 2000 Men Regular Troops and 10000 Peaſants.

From Ausburg of the 16th they write, that the Bavarian Foot are at Seefeld where they have retrench'd themſelves; and that their Horſe has quitted Tyrol and is march'd towards Ulm: But they had no certain News of the Elector of Bavaria, which had given occaſion to much Diſcourſe; mean time his own Partiſans ſay he is at Mittenwald.

There are other Advices relating to the Elector of Bavaria *and the Duke of* Vendome, *which we muſt refer to our next.*

From the Rotterdam Gazette, dated Auguſt 20.

From the Duke of Marlborough's *Camp at* Val Notre Dame, Auguſt 16. On the 14th the Army broke up from Opheeren and march'd to Feria, where the Right encamp'd, as the Left did at Tourine, which Village the French fortified with Intrenchments when they lay encamp'd in the Overture between the Mehaigne and the Jeckar while we were at Hanneff. Immediately 50 Men out of each Battallion were order'd to level the Works, which was done by next Morning. Yeſterday we continued our March, and came and encamp'd with the Right at Fiſfontaine and the Left at Vignamont; My Lord Duke has his Head Quarters at this Place, which is ſituate on the Mehaigne about half a League from Huy. In the Afternoon his Grace took a view of the Bridge which is laid over the Maes below the Town; and to Night we hope to have another ready above the Town. 15 Battallions commanded by Lieutenant General

General Sommerfield and a Brigade of Dragoons led by Brigadier Roſs, are gone over the Mehaigne and have taken Poſt on the ſide of the Maes, to ſecure our Bridge, and keep open the Communication between our Army and the Troops that carry on the Siege on the other ſide, which conſiſt of 25 Battallions and 20 Squadrons. The Baron de Trogne, who as firſt Ingenier has the direction of the Siege, is making Preparations for opening the Trenches, which will take up ſome time by reaſon of the Difficulty of getting the Cannon up the Mountains. As ſoon as our Army appear'd the Garriſon of Huy broke down the Bridge between the 2 Towns, and retir'd into the Caſtle and Forts, whereupon his Grace ſent 2 Battallions laſt Night to take poſſeſſion of the Town on this ſide. The Enemy Fire continually from the Forts and Caſtle, but have done us very little Damage. The Army of the Enemies continues within their Lines; the Duke of Villeroy's Head Quarters are at Wanſegue on the Mehaigne, and thoſe of Prince Tſerclaes de Tilly at Empting. The Convoy of the Bread Waggons which march'd yeſterday by the ſide of the Line, met a French Party of 35 Men; 9 of which were kill'd, and the reſt made Priſoners.

From the Camp at Val Notre Dame, Auguſt 20. On the 17th about 11 a clock at Night, the Prince of Anhalt Major General with 200 Workmen and 150 Men to cover them, open'd the Trenches againſt Fort St. Joſeph, and carried them on a conſiderable way, tho' the Ground was rocky and difficult to work; the Enemy having quickly diſcover'd our Men, fir'd inceſſantly, kill'd 2 of them, and wounded a Captain, a Lieutenant, and 3 Soldiers. Brigadier Hamilton was appointed to break Ground before Fort Picard, but the Ingenier who was to conduct him thither miſs'd his way in the dark, whereupon inſtead of opening the Trenches before Fort Picard, the Brigadier with his Men march'd to aſſiſt the Prince of Anhalt in carrying on his Approaches. The ſame Evening 200 Men were order'd to attack the Town on the other ſide of the Maes, which the Governour made a ſhew of defending; but our Men having lodg'd themſelves very near it by 4 in the Morning, the Enemy beat a Parley, and the Troops that were in the Town retir'd into the Caſtle. On the 18th in the Night the Trenches were open'd againſt Fort Picard, and carried on about 60 Paces, 36 of which are deſign'd for a Battery of Mortars within 400 Paces of the Fort; we had but 2 Men kill'd and 2 wounded, tho' the Enemy fir'd great and ſmall Shot all Night. The ſame Night the Trenches againſt Fort St. Joſeph were carried on 26 Paces with the loſs of but one Man; and laſt Night a Battery of Bombs was finiſh'd on the Right of thoſe Trenches, where there are 2 Mortars and 4 Hauitzers mounted, at the diſtance of 500 Paces from the Glacis. Laſt Night likewiſe a Battery was made on an Eminence that commands Fort Picard; the Enemy fir'd only a few ſmall ſhot on the Workmen, but without doing any Execution. Yeſterday a Magazine of the Enemies in the Caſtle, in which were a great many Bombs and ſome Powder, blew up; and according to the Report of a Deſerter who came over to us ſince, 30 Men and an Officer were blown up with it. The Enemy having quitted the Town on the other ſide of the Maes, My Lord North and Gray was order'd with his Regiment to go over and take poſt in it, and this day he will be reinforc'd by another Battallion.

From the Camp at Val Notre Dame, Auguſt 23. Our Men continued in the Trenches without working all Night on the 20th. The Enemy fir'd but very little, and we had not one Man kill'd or wounded. On the 21ſt the Trenches againſt Fort St. Joſeph were advanc'd above 210 Paces, an Enſign, a Serjeant, a Drummer, and 7 Men were wounded. The ſame day a Battery of 6 Mortars began to play againſt the ſaid Fort, and at Night the Battery againſt Fort Picard was quite finiſh'd, and 6 12 Pounders and 7 24 Pounders were planted on it, which began to play early yeſterday Morning; in laying the Planks of this Battery one of the Gunners had his Leg ſhot off, and a Daniſh Lieutenant going to viſit the ſaid Battery was kill'd by a Cannon ſhot. Early yeſterday Morning likewiſe a Battery of 6 24 Pounders began to fire on Fort St. Joſeph, which play'd with ſo much Succeſs, that in the Evening the Commander deſir'd to Capitulate; and a Battery of 8 Mortars being erected laſt Night againſt Fort Picard, the Commander of that Fort offer'd alſo to Surrender; but the Conditions they demanded not being lik'd, the ſeveral Batteries began to fire again this Morning, whereupon the Garriſon quitted the Forts and retir'd into the Caſtle, and our Men immediately took Poſſeſſion of them, as they did likewiſe of Fort Rouge, which being in a manner commanded by the other two, the Enemy abandon'd it at the ſame time: From theſe Forts we can with our ſmall ſhot annoy the Enemy in the Caſtle, againſt which we are preparing Batteries, and hope very ſoon to be Maſters of it. Prince Tſerclaes of Tilly, who commanded the E. of Cologne's Troops, has diſpos'd of all his Equipage and left the Enemy's Army, being order'd to haſten to Spain to command that King's Troops. The Enemy have ſent a Detachment to Dinant, apprehending we ſhould march thither.

Falmouth, Auguſt 14. This day was brought in by a Privateer of Fluſhing on Suſpicion, 2 Daniſh Veſſels laden with Wine, &c. from Bourdeaux, the one bound for Oſtend, the other for Ireland. In the Evening came in the Great Curtain with a Privateer of St Malo's of 14 Guns and 95 Men, which ſhe had taken.

IN the great Room at Hamſtead-Wells, on Saturday next being the 21ſt inſtant at Five a clock in the Evening, will be perform'd a great Conſort of Vocal and Inſtrumental Muſick by the beſt Maſters, ſeveral ſingle Songs and two part Songs by Mr. Cook and Mr. Davis. Tickets to be had at North's Coffee-Houſe in King-ſtreet near Guild-Hall, at the Swan Coffee-Houſe in Bloomsbury, and at the Wells, at Half a Crown a Ticket.

A Courſe of Chymiſtry, commenceing the 20th of September next, containing above 100 Operations, will be perform'd by George Willſon, at his Elaboratory in Well-Yard by St. Bartholomew's Hoſpital in Smithfield; thoſe Gentlemen who deſign to ſee the Courſe, are deſir'd to ſend their Names and Reſidence with a Guinea Entrance, before the 30th of this preſent Auguſt; when Ten Entrances are receiv'd, the Gentlemen concern'd ſhall have Notice that the Courſe will begin in Ten days time. And if any unexpected Buſineſs happens to hinder any Gentleman's attending the Courſe, his Entrance ſhall be return'd. The Terms are two Guineas and a half, viz. a Guinea Entrance, and a Guinea and half at the beginning of the Courſe.

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